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Brown-Hodges Recital at Ebenezer Church July 3d

ROCKEFELLER'S PASTOR CONDUCTS REVIVAL HERE

The Rev. Dr. C. T. Walker, of Augusta, Ga., the "Black Spurgeon," Holding Evangelistic Services for the St. Stephens Baptist Church

An Old Fashioned Southern Soul Winning Campaign Held Under a Tent at 12th and Michigan Streets.

THOUSANDS ATTEND; MANY MEN CONVERTS.

When John D. Rockefeller, ex-President William Howard Taft, and other notable Americans go down to Augusta, Ga., for a vacation or a rest, the services they invariably attend on Sunday mornings are conducted by one of the greatest preachers in this country, the Rev. Dr. C. T. Walker. His preaching is so powerful and pleasing that wherever he goes thousands upon thousands must hear him. He is in Kansas City now for a ten days' revival, being conducted by the St. Stephens Baptist church, of which the energetic, progressive and popular Rev. Dr. Hulse is pastor.

"The Black Spurgeon," as he is commonly known, arrived in this city Thursday night week, and without waiting for rest or recreation entered the meeting under the big tent at 12th street and Michigan avenue, to immediately begin his sermon from Matt. 8: 7, "I Will Come and Heal Him." Though the crowd overflowed into the street the audience gave perfect attention to a message that was powerful and soul-stirring. The Friday night meeting was larger than the previous night and six persons were converted. At the Sunday meetings, it is estimated, more than two thousand persons attended in the morning and at night. Six more were added to the number of converts, and the spirit of the meeting mounted higher and higher, and on Monday night the great evangelist's efforts proved of supreme force when one of Kansas City's oldest citizens, a professed gambler, came forward, and after making an open confession to having led many young men to become gamblers and lead a destructive life, accepted Christ and joined the church. The subsequent meetings have been as fruitful of results, of which the Rev. Dr. Walker expressed his satisfaction.

In an interview with him he seemed indeed highly pleased that a larger proportion of the converts at this meeting are men, and "young men of intelligence, who can be of great service to the race, and whom we are in great need of at this time," as Dr. Walker himself said. He also praised the people of Kansas City and the advantages of the open meeting.

Dr. Walker is not only a minister, but a great orator, and has been appointed by the War Department to membership in the Speakers' Bureau. He has delivered patriotic addresses in many of the large cities on "The Nation's Call to Service," and the "Black Man's Answer," and similar subjects. He spoke at the patriotic mass meeting in Chicago with Kelly Miller, and at which Colonel Roosevelt would have spoken but for his illness in the hospital at that time; at Carnegie hall, New York; at the New England Baptist convention, Asbury Park, New Jersey, and to men at the following camps: Grant, Lee, Gordon and at Columbia, S. C.

Asked as to the Negro in general and particularly of the Negro soldier, he said of our people: "They are giving a good account of themselves everywhere. In the South the white people are co-operating with us as never before, and so far everything has gone along harmoniously. We expect these conditions to continue. The Negro is working along patriotic lines, doing his part in the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. and Liberty Loan campaigns, and is buying War Savings and Thrift Stamps." Referring to the soldier: "I find that the papers in America are not very fair and are not doing their duty in speaking complimentary of the Negro soldiers. Only a few papers refer to the colored soldiers as they should do. I did notice that the Chicago Tribune and perhaps one or two other papers spoke of the colored soldiers used in guarding German prisoners. Very few of the papers published account of the colored troops capturing one of the forests the other day. They rarely say anything about the 500,000 French soldiers who come from among the Senegals, Turcos and Congos."

St. Stephens and its pastor are proud to have the distinguished prelate with them, and are making big preparations for the Sunday services. Dr. Walker will preach at both the morning and evening services, and at 3 o'clock in the afternoon will deliver his splendid address on the Negro in the war. Admission is free to all services, and all pastors are invited to bring their congregations.

After Dr. Walker shall have finished his ten days here the camp meeting will be completed by the Rev. R. B. Porter of Little Rock, Ark.

"Yes, sir," quite respectfully, "but while I can stand up, I don't never mean to let this flag touch the dirt."

The colonel heard and he did not need to stop and ponder.

"Let him stay where he is," he said. So the circus flew past and disappeared and the flag flapped high and clear, unharmed. Then the regiment reformed, and plodded on down the muddy road to meet their new comrades in arms, and to do their work.—St. Louis Argus.

With the American Army in France. —A wise Alabama colored soldier in an organization with the French troops used a novel means to capture German dogs employed to carry dispatches to the front line from the enemy rear posts.

The soldier got leave to go hunting and killed a fox. Then he crept across "No Man's Land" at night and dragged the fox back along the ground from the German trenches. The following day six German messenger dogs came bounding into the American trenches.

The road was clear for all but one man. Erect in his place, calmly holding the flag high and steady against the breeze, was the color bearer.

"Did you hear the order to lie down?" a lieutenant asked.



REV. J. B. BECKHAM, D. D., Auditor of the National Baptist Convention (unincorporated) and the popular pastor of the Second Baptist Church, Independence, Mo., for eight years. Dr. Beckham has just succeeded in paying off every indebtedness of this church including a large mortgage. This church and its many friends are indeed proud of Rev. Beckham and his work.

HIGHLY HONORED BY 397TH REGIMENT.

Charles W. Anderson is Made Honorary Colonel of Famous New York Military Organization for Loyal Services to Government.

FIRST TIME TITLE CONFERRED

Custom Common in European Countries Hitherto Unknown Here—Will Doubtless Establish Precedent of Honoring Civilians.

New York, June 12.—Charles W. Anderson, Supervising Agent of the State Department of Food for Markets, and who was for ten years Collector of Internal Revenue for the New York district, has been made an honorary colonel of the 397th United States Infantry. Although the custom is common in European countries, this is the first time that any man has been so honored in this country. It was awarded to Anderson as a mark of appreciation of his services in organizing colored regiments and in recognition of the manner in which he has aided the Government in many other ways.



MRS. T. E. BECKHAM, Vice President of the Woman's National Baptist Convention (unincorporated) for the State of Missouri, who deserves much credit for the valuable assistance given her husband in his church work. Mrs. Beckham is also one of the best Registered Nurses to be found in this country.

Wheatley-Provident Hospital.

PAYMENTS OF PLEDGES PROGRESSING NICELY.

Miss G. B. Owens, a Cultured and Very Capable Young Woman, is Now Calling Upon All Those Who Have Not Responded to the Notices Sent Out.

Be Loyal, Pay Your Pledges and Watch for the Announcement of the Grand Opening.

During the past week quite a few persons have paid their pledges in full to the Wheatley-Provident Hospital Campaign Committee and a number of others have made partial payments on their pledges. The building is rapidly nearing completion and the only embarrassment is the lack of funds to meet the various bills coming due. Every person who pledged a contribution to the building fund should pay it at once and enable the Committee to proceed with the work to its final completion without interruption. After the 1st of July 6 per cent interest under the provisions of the pledge blank signed will be added to all unpaid pledges and it is sincerely hoped that all pledges remaining unpaid will have been paid by that time. Among the large pledges paid this week was one of \$100 from Dr. William J. Thompson, Superintendent of Old City Hospital, \$50.00 from Dr. McQueen Carrion, Kansas City's foremost dentist, and \$25.00 from Prof. and Mrs. R. T. Coles. The full list of complete payments made during the week are as follows:

\$100.00—Dr. William J. Thompson.
\$50.00—Dr. McQueen Carrion.
\$25.00—Prof. and Mrs. R. T. Coles.
\$10.00—J. W. Smith, Derr & Malson, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bennett, Mrs. Callie Diggs.
\$5.00—Snee & Anderson, Eddie Boyle, Mrs. Pearl Brown, George Walker, James A. Smith.
\$1.00—Mrs. Pauline B. Crawford.

OFFICERS' SCHOOL NOW AT CAMP PIKE, ARK.

Camp Dodge, Ia., June 18.—By a War Department order, the entire Officers' Training School of the 32d Division was transferred from here to Camp Pike, Little Rock, Ark. Among the New York boys attending the school are: Harold E. Simmeljaer, Stanley Miles, Errol Horne, Earl Pugsley, William Pogue, James W. Brown, James Hinton and Timothy Pleasant. These boys are all well known in Harlem, especially Simmeljaer, who, before entering the service of Uncle Sam was engaged in civic activities there.

A grand rally was given at the Metropolitan Baptist church, Argentine, Kans. The collection was \$31.15.

Colored People Buy Stamps

Negroes are asked to buy Thrift Stamps in both large and small quantities and thus prove by their constant and consistent interest in the welfare of their Government that they are its most loyal people. We cannot do this unless we meet every imposed duty with an active intelligence, a fine spirit of never-flagging patriotism. We must never, in this war period, become weary of well-doing. Ours, like others, is to go forward with every move of the Country's program to win the war and we should remember that our special interest is wrapped up in the fate of the awful conflict across the waters.

It is not enough that we have met every demand made upon us thus far with a manly effort and response. We must go ahead and keep on going to the end which we hope is victory for AMERICA and therefore for US.

The first, second and third Liberty Loans in which we played well our part in shouldering the enormous tasks was merely introductory to a larger duty. We are now to BUY THRIFT STAMPS as a constant work which is essential to offset the equally constant drain on war resources which would soon suffer depletion under grueling expenditure.

Though we do our greatest duty when as Draftees we enter willingly into the ranks of training and become an important part of the fighting machine which is now driving away on the firing lines in France we have not done our whole duty at home until we meet every requirement urged upon us by stern necessity. This necessity comes now in the shape of THRIFT STAMPS which we are to buy "until it hurts" that our soldiers, black and white, may have some comforts of life at least as they go down to death—for us!

Great God! And this is the limit, they cannot do more! They have reached the apex of their glory! The Supreme Sacrifice and the things we do for them to aid this noble work of theirs seem disparaging by comparison—all it seems too little and tardy.

Then we will not be slackers in buying those Thrift Stamps. We are duty bound to buy all we can. Every stamp bought is a step to victory. You are helping your Government to help and protect you. The transaction that takes place through the sale of even one 25-cent stamp has a world-wide meaning.

Kansas City Negroes must buy these stamps now! We can not fall behind in this particular work after having such a great showing in the Liberty Loan Campaigns and Red Cross Work. Our efforts in the past elicited praise from the Kansas City Journal and even the Star. We cannot prove slackers in this move and the moves to come. We must be ready and willing at all times to demonstrate our Nationalism in every locality by meeting every responsibility in a signal way. We can do this now by BUYING THRIFT STAMPS AND HELP WIN THE WAR!

COMFORT COMMITTEE AIDS MARTYRED HERO'S MOTHER.

Washington, June 18.—Being advised that Mrs. Pearl Henderson of Dayton, O., widowed mother of Sergeant Joseph Henderson of the 32d Regiment, the first colored soldier to die in action over in France, was in urgent need of funds to pay her house rent, installment on the furniture in her modest little home, and her insurance, the National Colored Soldiers' Comfort Committee immediately dispatched a check to her for a substantial sum to take care of all her immediate needs.

NEGRO HERO WOUNDED.

Albany, N. Y., June 18.—Henry Johnson of Albany, whose name appears in today's army casualty list among the severely wounded, is one of the two Negro sentries who were mentioned by General Pershing in his communique of May 19 for bravery and devotion.

SOLDIER ACQUITTED OF CHARGE.

Camp Dodge, Ia., June 21.—Private William Head, one of the four soldiers tried here by a general court martial two weeks ago for criminal assault upon a 17-year-old white girl, has been acquitted and restored to active army duty.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Dr. and Mrs. M. G. Brookins will leave about July 1d for 30 days tour of the West. Dr. Brookins wishes to announce to his patients that Drs. Kane and Hedgepath have kindly consented to care for his practice while out of the city.

Miss Fannie Walte of Joplin, Mo., enroute to California, spent Sunday in the city, the guest of Miss Mary E. White.

JACK JOHNSON IS FORBIDDEN RIGHT TO ENTER ARMY.

New York Congressman in Spain Gets Appeal of Ex-Champion Heavyweight But is Turned Down by Adjutant General.

Washington, June 18.—Jack Johnson, the colored American pugilist, who is now living in Madrid, wants to enlist to fight in the United States Army. Congressman E. H. La Guardia, representing New York, and who saw and talked with Johnson recently when he was in Madrid on an inspection trip, has received a letter from Johnson tendering his services. In his letter to the congressman, Johnson said:

"After my talk with you yesterday it occurred to me to ask you to use your good offices in my behalf. I am as good an American as any one living, and naturally I want to do my bit. I firmly believe I wasn't fairly treated at home. All I ask now is a chance to show my sincerity. America is my own country. There is no position you could get for me that I would consider too rough or too dangerous. I am willing to fight and die for my own country. I cannot offer any more. Will you kindly make my offer known to the proper authorities? I am anxiously awaiting a reply."

Congressman La Guardia referred the colored pugilist and ex-champion of the world, to the Adjutant General's office here. The Adjutant General is a Southerner, entertaining the old South's preconceived ideas respecting the race, and to which marriage or association of a colored man with a white woman is an unforgiven sin and the blackest of crimes. It is stated that when officials here heard of it they promptly declared an application from Jack to enter the army would not be approved. So Jack's patriotic desire to serve his country must go unrealized. If Jack should make the way to France and enlist, unknown, under an assumed name, as thousands did in the Civil war, and which, doubtless hundreds have done in this war, and should win the Croix de Guerre, as did Johnson and Roberts, for some dashing heroic deed, it is possible his "indiscretions of youth" would be overlooked, and the United States might extend the exile a welcome back home again.—New York News.

THREE BIG MEETINGS OF IMPORTANCE CALLED.

The New Knights of Pythias Lodge is Nearing Organization.

The unprecedented activity of the Knights of Pythias in the State of Missouri in their campaign for one thousand new members has necessitated the return to the city of Grand Chancellor A. W. Lloyd.

The enthusiasm that is at fever heat throughout the State is no less in Kansas City and the drive has been a very successful one, the consequence of which a new lodge (which will bring the number to twelve) will be organized Saturday night, July 6th. Two previous meetings are called, the first one for Sunday afternoon, June 30th, at 3 o'clock, and the second Wednesday night, July 3rd, at 8:00 o'clock.

Each member of the Pythian Club is earnestly requested to be out to each of these meetings, which are of very great importance, being preparatory to the organization which takes place at the third and last meeting on the night of July 6th.

The splendid accomplishment of the organization of a new lodge in Kansas City with such an unusual large number of candidates shows that Kansas City, in this movement, as in all good movements started for the good of our people, is thoroughly wide awake.

In keeping with the regular custom at organizations, all candidates will bring their baskets well filled with good things to eat, as they will on this closing night, July 6th. Show all of the lodges west of the Mississippi River what it is to perfect a good big organization, and in other words, really how to "Go Over the Top."

Any information sought concerning the new Pythian Club and its organization will be gladly furnished by Grand Chancellor Lloyd, who can be reached over the Bell phone by calling East 1795W.

PATRIOTIC CELEBRATION.

The Negroes of the city have been invited and will take part in the great International Celebration to be held July 4 at Swope Park in honor of the splendid American boys "Over There." Over 100,000 people are expected to witness this inspiring pageant which will be participated in by the Seventh Regiment, National Guards, the Boy Scouts, High School Cadets and other civic and military bodies, while all the Allied Nations will be represented with handsomely decorated booths.

The Negro booth will be in charge of the ladies of the Federated Clubs of Kansas City, Missouri, and the arrangements are being made under the direction of Mrs. A. E. Jenkins, president of the Federation, assisted by Mesdames E. C. Bunch, C. H. Calloway, W. J. Thompson and others. Dr. William J. Thompson, superintendent of the City Hospital for colored people, is chairman of the General Committee of Arrangements for the colored people of the city, and is lending every energy to see that a most gratifying and satisfactory showing is made on the part of our people.

Mr. Nelson C. Crews, who has just returned from Washington, where he had a conference with the members of the Council of Defense, will at 8 o'clock deliver the address on behalf of the Negro people, while for forty minutes the Roland Hayes Choral Society of 600 voices under the direction of Major N. Clark Smith, will render folk-lore songs and choruses with special settings. The booths will represent every Nation associated with the Allies in the Constitution of the war and each will present some typical feature of the race and country represented. The call for this great demonstration come direct from the President of the United States to demonstrate to the world that all the Allied Nations and races are harmonious and united in the one common call—the winning of the war. Judge John T. Atwood, the West's great orator, will deliver the principal address at 4 p. m., and all Nations represented will be grouped under their own flag and The Sun is authorized to announce there will be NO DISCRIMINATION AMONG AMERICANS—ALL COME! Twenty thousand Negroes are expected to attend this glorious National Celebration.

COMMUNITY CHORUS NOTICE.

All former choirs who joined in the "Sing" last December at Convention Hall with Mr. Rowland W. Haynes in recital, will meet at Lincoln High School Assembly Room next Wednesday evening, July 3rd, at 8 p. m., for final rehearsal. Please bring your copies of "Listen to the Lambs" and "Steal Away to Jesus," anthems, and join with our orchestra. Every colored musician in the city should take this opportunity to demonstrate our ability to render this music in the same satisfactory manner as you did on the above occasion. One hundred thousand people of all races are expected to hear us.

Respectfully yours,
N. CLARK SMITH,
Musical Director.

COLORED MAN TURKEY FOR RED CROSS.

Palestine, Texas.—Jim Boyd is the proudest Negro in this county, and he has good reasons to be. Boyd is a great turkey grower, and several days ago gave one of his prize turkeys to the Red Cross. It was auctioned off at Frankston and brought \$255, and given back to the Red Cross. Last Saturday the turkey was carried to Poyner and netted \$333 from an auction, and was given back to the Red Cross. It will be taken at Athens next Saturday, and the following Saturday will be brought to Palestine and auctioned off here. It is believed the turkey will bring the Red Cross over \$1,000.—Detroit Leader.

Now that our old friend, Nick Childs, of the Pfanddealer, has gotten it out of his system, there is a possibility that he will again be happy, but he must remember that the Young Ladies of The Sun office deeply resent his allegations, and they are going to pull his hair by the handful (if he has that much left) when he next visits The Sun office.